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Gentlemen:

It has recently come to our attention that under your Docket No. 92-235, you are proposing the VHF and UHF frequencies operate with a 4 KHZ bandwidth. I hope that you understand that if this is approved, it will require the purchasing of all new radio equipment and the addition of more equipment, in our case.

We provide ambulance and emergency medical services in the northern half of Lake County, in south central Oregon. It is an area of approximately 1700 square miles and a population of 2500 people. It is 85 miles to our nearest hospital. It is readily apparent that radios are the communication link in our area. Our 911 dispatch point is in the county seat, Lakeview, OR, 100 miles to the south. If we are made to purchase new radio equipment, it is a great deal beyond our budget, and then to add the extra burden in having to purchase additional relay stations, we would no longer be able to service the population of this area.

May I urge you to reconsider this proposal and the timeframe in which you seek to implement it. There are too many requirements to be effectively handled in such a short period of time.

I would be interested in your comments and suggestions, and to know if consideration was given to the vast majority of our country in which there are no problems of overcrowding frequencies at the present. I would also appreciate knowing why "pagers" are not included in the proposal.

I remain,

Sincerely yours,

